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AMENDMENT

February 3, 2003

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 3, 2002, the period for response extended one (1) month to February 3, 2003 by the attached petition for extension of time, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 8-10 and 13-15 with the following amended claims: Please note that claims 1, 8-10 and 13-15 are presented below in their amended form. They are further presented as an Attachment to the Amendment whereby the amendments to the claims are outlined using the conventional method of bracketing and underlining.

(Amended) An image processing apparatus comprising: means for receiving image data from a source of image data supply

image processing means for performing necessary image processing on the received image data to produce output image

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